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1. Transmittal Letter; and

2. Response to Restriction Requirement and Amendment

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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby submit a Response to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 6, 2005, this Response to be filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office. This Response, along with this Transmittal Letter, is being transmitted by facsimile on this date, August 8, 2005.

Applicants believe that there are no fees due in association with this filing of this Response. However, should the Commissioner deem that any fees are due, including any fees

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### RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMEN'T

Dear Sir:

In a mailing dated July 6, 2005, the examiner imposed a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121. The examiner indicated that the claims covered five distinct inventions and required selection of one set of claims for prosecution on the merits.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants respectfully request that the amendments set forth below be entered to withdraw claims 36-42, 114, 117-118, and 119, and elect claims 113, 115, 116, 120, and 121-123 for prosecution on the merits. Moreover,

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Applicants have added new claims 124-130, which Applicants assert are fully supported by the specification and claims originally filed, and thus do not constitute new matter. As the due date for this response is today, Monday August 8, 2005, this Response is considered timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Summary begins on page 18 of this paper.